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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: John WAINWRIGHT ) Confirmation No. 1474  
Serial No.: 09/426,143 ) Art Unit: 2672  
Filing Date: October 22, 1999 ) Examiner: Chante Harrison  
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For: SPECIFYING OPERATIONS TO BE APPLIED TO THE ATTRIBUTES OF A SET  
OF OBJECTS

Hon. Assistant Commissioner of Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

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RESPONSE

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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed July 29, 2002, the shortened statutory period for which runs until October 29, 2002. Please revise the subject application as indicated and reconsider the application in view of the remarks presented below.

In the Specification:

Please amend the specification as indicated below.

Substitute the following paragraph for the paragraph beginning on page 13, line 1:

Referring to FIG. 2, statement 200 specifies an operation is to be applied to a set of objects that are identified by matching criteria, where each object in the set is associated with an identifier that the satisfies the matching criteria. Statement 200 includes operation identifier